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HARLEM WIZARDS TAKE ON HAUPPAUGE EAGLES STAFF **TEAM FEATURING** **SPECIAL REFEREE LEGISLATOR JOHN KENNEDY**

January 14, 2014: On January 11, 2014, the Harlem Wizards battled the Hauppauge Eagles teachers and staff all-star team in a rematch of their 2013 spectacular battle, with Special Referee John “the Mouth” Kennedy, Jr., Minority Leader of the Suffolk County Legislature, was specifically enlisted to insure that law, order and of course comedy matched last year’s momentous battle.

The Harlem Wizards, founded over 50 years ago by Howie Davis, is a family owned and operated travelling basketball team that travels nationwide combining comedy and high flying, rim rattling dunks taking on local teams to help with local fundraising efforts. Throughout their star-studded history, the Wizards have featured Nancy Lieberman, Connie Hawkins, LA LA “Magic Man” Gable, played before Lech Walesa, crowds in China, Israel, Denmark, Italy and Turkey, played against a team made up of Boston Celtic All-Time Greats and featured many past and feature NBA players.



The Hauppauge Eagles Basketball Team, this year brought along a secret weapon; their version of Michael Jordan, LeBron James, Larry Bird and Magic Johnson all rolled into one person, the Superintendent herself, Patricia “Super Pat” Kriss. This year’s match-up was a back and forth battle as the Eagles and Wizards

traded baskets as the offensive juggernauts made shots not seen since the days of the Original Dream Team. But just when the crowd thought they were in for a high scoring offensive affair, both the Eagles and the Wizards clamped down on defense, slowing the pace of the baskets and forcing some unbelievable shots to be made.



The proceeds from ticket and memorabilia sales went to the Forest Brook Elementary Parent Teacher Association.

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